

CLAIMS:

1 and 2 (Cancelled)

3. (Currently amended) ~~The apparatus of claim 2,~~ Apparatus for mounting an accessory device comprising:

a. an outer jaw clamping member;

b. an inner jaw clamping member adapted to cooperate with said outer jaw clamping member to provide a stable and secure mounting platform for the accessory device, said inner clamping jaw member having a central orifice;

c. a coupling member adapted to be connected to the accessory device, said coupling member having a collar portion extending therefrom and adapted to fit into said inner jaw clamping member central orifice;

d. first locking means for securing said collar portion to said inner jaw clamping member including a plurality of first apertures around the circumference of said collar member, a diametrically aligned second aperture in said inner clamping jaw member and a pin member adapted to be inserted through said second aperture and a selected pair of first apertures for fixedly engaging said coupling member in said inner clamping jaw member in a desired orientation ;

and

e. ~~further including~~ second locking means including a threaded portion surface on said collar portion and a locking nut mounted on said threaded portion surface for exerting a withdrawing force on said pin coupling member.

Claims 4 and 5 (cancelled)

1 6. (Currently amended) ~~The apparatus of claim 5, fur-~~
2 ~~ther including~~ Apparatus for mounting an accessory device to
3 a railing structure comprising:

4 a. an outer jaw clamping member;

5 b. an inner jaw clamping member adapted to cooperate
6 with said outer jaw clamping member for attaching to the
7 railing structure to provide a stable and secure mounting
8 platform for the accessory device, said inner clamping jaw
9 member having a central orifice with an axis substantially
10 orthogonal to the railing structure;

11 c. a coupling member adapted to be connected to the
12 accessory device, said coupling member having a collar
13 portion extending therefrom and adapted to fit into said
14 inner jaw clamping member central orifice;

15 d. first locking means for securing said collar por-
16 tion to said inner jaw clamping member, including a plural-
17 ity of first apertures around the circumference of said
18 collar member, a diametrically aligned second aperture in
19 said inner clamping jaw member and a pin member adapted to
20 be inserted through said second aperture and a selected pair
21 of first apertures for fixedly engaging said coupling member
22 in said inner clamping jaw member in a desired orientation
23 relative to the railing structure; and

24 e. second locking means including a threaded portion

25 surface on said collar portion and a locking nut mounted on
26 said threaded ~~portion~~ surface for exerting a withdrawing
27 force on said ~~pin~~ coupling member.

1 7. (New claim) For use with clamping members providing
2 a stable and secure mounting platform for an accessory
3 device, apparatus for releasably mounting the accessory
4 device to the clamping members comprising:

5 a. a central orifice having a diametrically aligned
6 first aperture in one of the clamping members;

7 c. a coupling device adapted to be connected to the
8 accessory device, said coupling device having a collar
9 member extending therefrom and sized to fit into said cen-
10 tral orifice;

11 d. locking means for securing said collar member to the
12 one clamping member including a plurality of second aper-
13 tures around the circumference of said collar member and a
14 pin member sized to be inserted through said first aperture
15 and a selected pair of second apertures for fixedly engaging
16 said collar member in said orifice of the one clamping
17 member in a desired orientation.

1 8. (New claim) The apparatus of claim 7, further in-
2 cluding second locking means including a threaded surface on
3 said collar member and a locking nut mounted on said thread-

4 . ed surface for exerting a withdrawing force on said pin
5 member.